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BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Michio KANEKO  
APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR TRANSMITTING CONSTANT BIT RATE  
DATA CELLS, CONTROLLING TRANSMISSION OF DATA CELLS TO PREVENT  
HEAD DATA CELLS FROM BEING SENT OUT THROUGH THE CONTINUOUS  
SLOTS OF THE TRANSMISSION CYCLE  
Our Ref. Q59209

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 22 sheets of the specification, claims, 11 sheets of drawings, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>11</u>	-	20	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>          </u>	\$0.00
Independent claims	<u>4</u>	-	3	=	<u>1</u>	x	\$78.00	=	<u>          </u>	\$78.00
Base Fee										\$690.00
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>										<b>\$768.00</b>
Recordation of Assignment										\$40.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>										<b>\$808.00</b>

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$768.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from May 26, 1999 based on Japanese Application No. 11-146456. The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,  
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